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1. THE SOCIAL ACTION PARTY RELEASED TO THE PRESS MARCH 17 THE TEXT OF THE KHUKRIT PRAMOT CABINET'S POLICY STATEMENT, UNCLASSIFIED

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WHICH THE CABINET WILL PRESENT TO PARLIAMENT MARCH 19.

THE SECTION ON FOREIGN RELATIONS SAYS THAT THE GOVERNMENT WILL CONDUCT AN INDEPENDENT FOREIGN POLICY TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THAI INTERESTS. IT WILL PURSUE A POLICY OF PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE ON A BASIS OF FRIENDSHIP WITH EVERY COUNTRY THAT HAS GOOD INTENTIONS TOWARD THAILAND, REGARDLESS OF DIFFERENCES IN POLITICAL IDEOLOGIES AND ADMINISTRATIVE SYSTEMS. IT WILL NOT INTERFERE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF OTHER COUNTRIES.

2. IN ORDER TO CREATE A BALANCE OF RELATIONS WITH POWERFUL COUNTRIES, THE KHUKRIT GOVERNMENT WILL TAKE ACTION TO RECOGNIZE AND NORMALIZE RELATIONS WITH THE PRC. THE GOVERNMENT WILL BRING ABOUT A WITHDRAWAL OF FOREIGN TROOPS FROM THAILAND WITHIN ONE YEAR, TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THE REGIONAL SITUATION AND FRIENDLY NEGOTIATIONS. IT WILL STRENGTHEN FRIENDLY RELATIONS WITH NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES AND REGIONAL COOPERATION, AND WILL NOT ABANDON EFFORTS TO FIND WAYS TO CREATE CONTACTS WITH THE DRV.

3. REGARDING FOREIGN AID, THE KHUKRIT GOVERNMENT WILL CONSIDER COMMITMENTS AS AN IMPORTANT FACTOR AND WILL NOT ALLOW ANY DISADVANTAGES TO THAILAND, BECAUSE THE GOVERNMENT WISHES TO CREATE A FOUNDATION FOR SELF-RELIANCE IN BOTH THE ECONOMIC AND MILITARY SPHERES AS MUCH AND AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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